



June 8, 2012



It is my pleasure to inform you that I have appointed **Chris Bridgewater to be the City of Franklin's Building and Neighborhood Services Director**. Chris is a valuable member of our team, who has proven to be an excellent leader of our BNS Department over the past 6 months in the interim director role. Chris further distinguished himself in the selection process from a field of candidates drawn from a national search. Chris has the unique ability to understand the many technical aspects of the building codes (he is a Master Building Codes Official who passed all of his certifications on the first try) and relate to customers and employees on a personal level. Join me in congratulating Chris on his well deserved appointment. We look forward to his continued contributions to the community in this

new role. Thank you to the BNS team for all their great work during this transition and during these busy times.

One of the two City employee slots on the Employee Pension and Trust Investment Committee is expiring. According to the plan, the employees elect their representative. The Human Resources Department will be taking nominations for the employee representative from **now until Friday, June 22, at 5 p.m.** Please submit your nomination to HR Director Shirley Harmon. It is important that our employees are well represented on this committee that provides oversight to the investments in our pension program. Please consider stepping up to serve your fellow employees in this vital role.

Recently, **Mike Proctor and Brandi Johnson from MIT** were asked to help in doing ground communications for the **Smyrna Air show** on May 12th and 13th. This was a great opportunity for interoperability as they were working with TEMA, Williamson County, and Rutherford County. As you know, we all have been working hard to build relationships with other agencies so that if there is ever a disaster we will better be prepared to work together as one. This was one big step in the right direction as Mike and Brandi were able to test multiple agencies radios in a real event. One of the perks of this event was getting up close to the **U.S Navy Blue Angels**, and who wouldn't love that! Here are a couple photos from Brandi.



Remember . . . June is
open enrollment month



for medical and dental insurance changes. If you would like to make a change to your medical and/or dental insurance, please complete a [Medical and Dental Change Form](#) and return it to HR between June 1st and June 30th. Changes will be effective July 1, 2012.

As part of their summer safety initiative, the **Franklin Fire Department** is offering **free CPR classes**. Franklin Firefighters who are certified American Heart Association (AHA) instructors will teach adult Hands-Only® CPR, child CPR with breaths, adult and child AED use, infant CPR and relief of choking in an adult, child or infant. Go here for more information. <http://www.franklintn.gov/index.aspx?page=903>

City Attorney Shauna Billingsley is continuing her service project called “**Badges with Bears**”. As the District Representative for the **Tennessee Bar Association Young Lawyer Division**, she has been tasked with coordinating a service project for this area. During the month of June, she will be collecting new stuffed animals or monetary donations at her office. The Young Lawyer Division will present the stuffed animals to the Franklin Police Department, who will give them to children involved in vehicle accidents or involved in domestic calls. **Anyone wishing to donate, please see Shauna or drop off your item(s) at her office.**

We have had a great response to volunteers for the **Lion’s Club Franklin on the Fourth Event at The Park at Harlinsdale Farm**. We still need employees to assist, especially in the evening hours. **Any hourly employee assisting that day will receive holiday pay PLUS time and a half for the hours spent working the event. Exempt employees may volunteer but are not eligible for additional compensation.** The following are two shifts still available: 6:15 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. parking and traffic monitors, and 5:30-10:30pm parking at north entrance. Mandatory training will be held before the event (everyone working must attend one of the training sessions). Anyone interested should send their name, department, email address, and two reliable contact numbers to annas@franklintn.gov or 550-6942 before noon on June 22nd. Vests and flashlights will be provided. If rain is expected, please bring your own raincoat. In the unlikely event that the event is cancelled after the employee has already arrived at the park, you will still receive two hours of overtime pay. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Human Resources’ Sharon Earhart is the NEW winner of the Mayor’s parking spot next week! **Shirley Harmon nominated Sharon.** She said, “*I would like to nominate Sharon Earhart for the Mayor’s parking spot. Sharon is always courteous and helpful to everyone who comes into Human Resources. Sharon willingly takes on any project that she is asked to do and goes the extra mile to see that it is completed. Sharon is a great asset to the City of Franklin.*” Great job, Sharon! Sharon will begin parking in the Mayor’s spot on Monday, June 11. **If you see someone doing a good job, nominate them at agoodjob@franklintn.gov** We have had many repeat Good Job Employees, **think of someone who has not received this honor before and recognize their hard work...It doesn’t have to be in City Hall!**

The annual **Touch-a-Truck** event happens tonight at **Pinkerton Park** followed by a movie in the park. The features movie (we aren’t allowed to publish the title) is a very popular sequel about animated vehicles (I bet you can guess the name!). Special thanks to the **Public Works Departments** who work hard to put this on every year! We know this is a citizen favorite! Read

more about it here

<http://www.franklintn.gov/index.aspx?page=25&recordid=1449&returnURL=%2findex.aspx>

Have a nice weekend. Thank you for all you do!

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